

## ② Infinitesimal Rotations : $\delta\alpha$ about a fixed axis.

→ Matrix representation

i)  $\delta\alpha$  about  $\hat{z}$ -axis

$$\left[1 - \frac{\hat{N}}{\hbar} \delta\alpha L_z\right] |x, y, z\rangle = \left[1 - \frac{\hat{N}}{\hbar} \delta\alpha (\tilde{x} \tilde{p}_y - \tilde{y} \tilde{p}_x)\right] |x, y, z\rangle$$

$$= \left[1 - \frac{\hat{N}}{\hbar} \tilde{p}_x (-\delta\alpha y) - \frac{\hat{N}}{\hbar} \tilde{p}_y (\delta\alpha x)\right] |x, y, z\rangle$$

$$= |x - \delta\alpha y, y + \delta\alpha x, z\rangle \Rightarrow \text{This is indeed the rot. } |R_{\hat{z}}(\delta\alpha) \vec{z}\rangle.$$

For  $|\alpha\rangle$ , an arbitrary ket of a spinless particle,

$$\langle x, y, z | \left[1 - \frac{\hat{N}}{\hbar} \delta\alpha L_z\right] |\alpha\rangle = \langle x + \delta\alpha y, y - \delta\alpha x, z | \alpha\rangle \quad \dots (*)$$

$$\underline{L} \rightarrow \left[ \left(1 + \frac{\hat{N}}{\hbar} \delta\alpha L_z\right) (x, y, z) \right]^+$$

In terms of a wave function,

$$\Psi_{R\alpha}(\vec{x}) = \Psi_{\alpha}(R^{-1}\vec{x}).$$

\* Representation of  $L_z$  in the position space.  
(spherical coordinates)

$$(*) \Rightarrow \langle x, y, z | \alpha \rangle \longrightarrow \langle r, \theta, \phi | \alpha \rangle$$

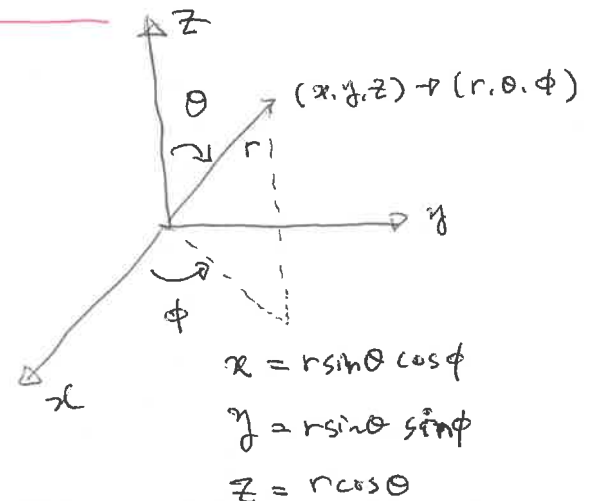
rotation

$$\theta \rightarrow \theta + \delta\theta, \quad \phi \rightarrow \phi + \delta\phi$$

$$\delta x = r \cos\theta \cos\phi \delta\theta - r \sin\theta \sin\phi \delta\phi$$

$$\delta y = r \cos\theta \sin\phi \delta\theta + r \sin\theta \cos\phi \delta\phi$$

$$\delta z = -r \sin\theta \delta\theta$$



Now, look at  $\langle x + \delta a y, y - \delta a x, z | \alpha \rangle$ .

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$$\Rightarrow \delta x = y \delta a, \quad \delta y = -x \delta a, \quad \delta z = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta \theta = 0, \quad \delta \phi = -\delta a$$

$$\text{Thus, } \langle x, y, z | \left[ 1 - \frac{\hat{L}_z}{\hbar} \delta a \right] | \alpha \rangle$$

$$= \langle x, y, z | \alpha \rangle - \delta a \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \langle x, y, z | \alpha \rangle + \mathcal{O}(\delta a^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \vec{x} | L_z | \alpha \rangle = -\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \langle \vec{x} | \alpha \rangle$$

$$\text{or } L_z \doteq -\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$$

ii)  $\delta a$  about  $\hat{x}$ -axis.

$$\langle \vec{x} | \left[ 1 - \frac{\hat{L}_x}{\hbar} \delta a \right] | \alpha \rangle = \langle x, y + z \delta a, z - y \delta a | \alpha \rangle.$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta x = 0, \quad \delta y = z \delta a, \quad \delta z = -y \delta a$$

$$\| L_x = \hat{y} \hat{p}_z - \hat{z} \hat{p}_y$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta \theta = \frac{y}{r \sin \theta} \delta a = \sin \phi \delta a$$

$$\delta \phi = \frac{1}{r \sin \theta \cos \phi} \left[ \delta y - r \cos \theta \sin \phi \delta \theta \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{r \sin \theta \cos \phi} \left[ r \cos \theta - r \cos \theta \sin^2 \phi \right] \delta a$$

$$= \cot \theta \cos \phi \delta a$$

$$\text{Thus, } \langle \vec{x} | \left[ 1 - \frac{\hat{L}_x}{\hbar} \delta a \right] | \alpha \rangle$$

$$\doteq \langle \vec{x} | \alpha \rangle + \delta \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \langle \vec{x} | \alpha \rangle + \delta \phi \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \langle \vec{x} | \alpha \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \vec{x} | L_x | \alpha \rangle = -\hbar \left[ -\sin \phi \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} - \cot \theta \cos \phi \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right] \langle \vec{x} | \alpha \rangle$$

$$\text{or } L_x \doteq -\hbar \left( -\sin \phi \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} - \cot \theta \cos \phi \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \right)$$

$$iii) L_y = \frac{1}{i\hbar} [L_z, L_x]$$

$$= -i\hbar \left( \cos\phi \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} - \cot\theta \sin\phi \frac{\partial}{\partial\phi} \right)$$

iv)

$$L_{\pm} = L_x \pm iL_y$$

$$= -i\hbar e^{\pm i\phi} \left( \pm i \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} - \cot\theta \frac{\partial}{\partial\phi} \right)$$

$$v) \vec{L}^2 = L_z^2 + \frac{1}{2} (L_+ L_- + L_- L_+)$$

$$= -\hbar^2 \left[ \frac{1}{\sin^2\theta} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial\phi^2} + \frac{1}{\sin\theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} \left( \sin\theta \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} \right) \right]$$

② a particle in a central potential.

$$H = \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m} + V(\vec{x}) \quad \parallel \quad V(\vec{x})|\vec{x}\rangle = \underline{V(r)}|\vec{x}\rangle$$

central potential.

→ invariant under rotations

$$[H, \vec{L}] = 0, \quad [H, \vec{L}^2] = 0$$

→ (l, m) are good quantum numbers!

\* NOTE:

$$[L_i, \vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}] = 0 \quad \xrightarrow{\text{ex.}} \quad [L_i, \vec{p}^2] = 0$$

$$[L_i, (\vec{u} \times \vec{v})_j] = i\hbar \epsilon_{ijk} (\vec{u} \times \vec{v})_k$$

for  $\vec{u}$  and  $\vec{v}$  under rotations.

\* recall  $[J_i, S] = 0$

$\parallel S$  scalar operator

$$[J_i, \vec{V}_j] = i\hbar \epsilon_{ijk} \vec{V}_k \quad \text{or} \quad \vec{J} \times \vec{V} = i\hbar \vec{V}$$

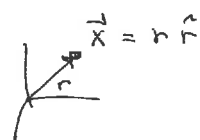
also,  $\vec{L}^2 = \vec{x}^2 \vec{p}^2 - (\vec{x} \cdot \vec{p})^2 + i\hbar \vec{x} \cdot \vec{p}$

To prove, use  $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b})^2 = \vec{a}^2 \vec{b}^2 - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})^2 + i\hbar \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$  when  $\begin{cases} [a_i, b_j] = i\hbar \delta_{ij} \\ [b_i, b_j] = 0 \end{cases}$   
or see (3.6.17) of Sakurai & Napolitano

$$\Rightarrow \langle \vec{x} | \vec{L}^2 | \alpha \rangle = \langle \vec{x} | \vec{x}^2 \vec{p}^2 | \alpha \rangle - \langle \vec{x} | (\vec{x} \cdot \vec{p})^2 | \alpha \rangle + i\hbar \langle \vec{x} | \vec{x} \cdot \vec{p} | \alpha \rangle$$

In the Spherical coordinates,

$$\langle \vec{x} | \vec{x} \cdot \vec{p} | \alpha \rangle = -i\hbar r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \langle \vec{x} | \alpha \rangle$$



$$\langle \vec{x} | (\vec{x} \cdot \vec{p})^2 | \alpha \rangle = -\hbar^2 r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \langle \vec{x} | \alpha \rangle \right)$$

$$= -\hbar^2 \left[ r^2 \frac{d^2}{dr^2} + r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right] \langle \vec{x} | \alpha \rangle$$

$$\langle \vec{x} | \vec{x}^2 \vec{p}^2 | \alpha \rangle = r^2 \langle \vec{x} | \vec{p}^2 | \alpha \rangle$$

$\Rightarrow$  Schrödinger eq.

$$\langle \vec{x} | H | \alpha \rangle = E \langle \vec{x} | \alpha \rangle$$

$$\left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left[ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right] \langle \vec{x} | \alpha \rangle + \frac{1}{2mr^2} \langle \vec{x} | \vec{L}^2 | \alpha \rangle + V(r) \langle \vec{x} | \alpha \rangle \right] = E \langle \vec{x} | \alpha \rangle$$

Since  $l, m$  are good quantum numbers,

$$| \alpha \rangle \equiv | n, l, m \rangle$$

$\uparrow \vec{L}^2 \uparrow L_z$   
 $\uparrow$  for the radial part

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left[ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + V(r) + \frac{l(l+1)\hbar^2}{2mr^2} \right] \langle \vec{x} | n, l, m \rangle$$

Schrödinger eq.

$$= E \langle \vec{x} | n, l, m \rangle$$

# → Radial Equations

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left[ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + V_{\text{eff}}^{(l)}(r) \right] R_{nl}(r) = E R_{nl}(r)$$

\* Are "n" and "l" enough for  $R(r)$ ?

i)  $l$ : obvious  $\leftrightarrow V_{\text{eff}}^{(l)}$

ii)  $n$ : "Sturm-Liouville" theory: bound states are non-deg. and Real;  
(See also HW#5.1) in 1D.

Thus,  $\langle \vec{x} | n, l, m \rangle \equiv \underbrace{R_{nl}(r)}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{radial eg.}}} \underbrace{Y_l^m(\theta, \phi)}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{eigenfunction of } \vec{L}^2 \text{ and } L_z}}$

⊕ Spherical Harmonics:  $Y_l^m(\theta, \phi) = \langle \hat{n} | l, m \rangle$

$$L_z |l, m\rangle = m\hbar |l, m\rangle \quad \dots (*)$$

$$\vec{L}^2 |l, m\rangle = l(l+1)\hbar^2 |l, m\rangle \quad \dots (**)$$

$$\hat{n} = \frac{\vec{x}}{|\vec{x}|}$$

i)

$$\langle \hat{n} | \cdot (*) : -i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} Y_l^m(\theta, \phi) = m\hbar Y_l^m(\theta, \phi)$$

$$\rightarrow Y_l^m(\theta, \phi) \propto \exp[i m \phi]$$

∴ Integer  $m$ 's are only allowed!

Here, we're talking about "spatial" wavefunctions.

→  $\psi(r, \theta, 0) = \psi(r, \theta, 2\pi)$  to be single-valued  
in space <sup>position</sup>.

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$m = \text{integers} : -l, -l+1, \dots, l-1, l$

so,  $\hookrightarrow$

$l = \text{integers}$

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for the "orbital"  
angular momentum.